

GREEN WASTE RECYCLING

FOR RESIDENTS & BUSINESSES

WHAT IS GREEN WASTE RECYCLING?

Organic materials such as branches, grass clippings, cut flowers, and leaves are collected in separate bins and ground into mulch. This mulch is put back onto the soil by gardeners, residents, and commercial agriculture to keep the soil moist, suppress weeds, and build up the soil. Call 681-4346 to get mulch from the Transfer Station.

WHO CAN GET GREEN WASTE SERVICE?

Green waste recycling in carts, cans, or dumpsters is available to residents in single family homes, owners of multi-unit complexes, and businesses or institutions. For single family homes, the first 32 gallons are free, and for commercial accounts, the first 95 gallons are free!

WHEN IS GREEN WASTE COLLECTED?

Residential green waste in is picked up once per week, on trash day. Commercial green waste is picked up according to the hauler's schedule. Christmas Trees are picked up with the regular green waste. Place tree next to green waste container.

HOW DO I PREPARE THE MATERIALS?

Please do not put anything in plastic bags! Remove stands and tinsel from Christmas trees. If tree is longer than 6', cut into 6' lengths. No flocked trees.

CAN I GET MORE GREEN WASTE CANS?

You can either pay for additional cans or reduce waste by:

- Using a mulching mower that grinds grass clippings and integrates them back into the lawn.
- Putting autumn leaves under bushes and trees for use as mulch.
- Composting leaves and grass, and saving the can for woody material.

HOW CAN I RECYCLE TRUCK LOADS OF GREEN WASTE?

Residents and commercial gardeners can self haul green waste to MarBorg, BFI, or the South Coast Recycling & Transfer Station, (the former dump) for recycling. As long as the material is 100% recyclable, (no trash, no bags) you can dump it for a reduced rate. Entire loads of Small Amount Only materials (see reverse) will be charged as trash and not recycled. Call for rates and schedule.

BFI: 965-5248

MARBORG: 963-1852

TRANSFER STATION: 681-4345

INFORMATION

For more information on reducing green waste and sustainable gardening see: www.greengardener.org/resources.htm

For composting information see: www.lessismore.org/htdocs/full_featured/programs/back_yard_compsting.html

CALL YOUR HAULER TO START SERVICE.

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COMMINGLED RECYCLING

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WHAT IS COMMINGLED RECYCLING?

Commingled Recycling includes paper, cardboard, glass bottles, plastic bottles, cans, and metal items. There are some materials that are recyclable, but cannot be put in commingled bins. See sbrecycles.org or call 564-5587 for places to take them.

WHO CAN GET COMMINGLED SERVICE?

This service is available residential customers in carts or cans and to commercial customers (businesses, multi-unit complexes, and schools) in carts, cans, or dumpsters. All customers get up to 95 gallons of free recycling with each refuse account!

Commercial customers that generate large pieces of metal or wood and fewer food-related containers may need the more industrial Cardboard Plus recycling service. Cardboard Plus has replaced Cardboard Only and includes paper, beverage containers, cardboard, wood, and metal. Call your hauler to receive a Cardboard Plus Recycling Guide.

COMMINGLED SERVICE IS BEST SUITED TO:

- RESTAURANTS
- BUSINESSES WITH CAN/CART TRASH SERVICE
- APARTMENTS AND CONDOS
- MIXED USE COMMERCIAL COMPLEXES
- SMALL SCHOOLS AND DAY CARE CENTERS

CARDBOARD PLUS IS BEST SUITED TO:

- LARGE SCHOOLS AND LARGE OFFICES
- LUMBERYARDS, NURSERIES, AND HOME IMPROVEMENT STORES
- MANUFACTURERS, ASSEMBLERS, AND FABRICATORS
- THRIFT STORES



HOW DO I PREPARE THE MATERIALS?

Please do not put anything except shredded paper in plastic or paper bags. It slows down the sorting process.

Paper, Magazines, and Newspaper

Paper clips and staples are ok. Remove plastic binding and plastic covers on reports. Unopened mail is ok.

Cardboard & Boxes

Break down and remove styrofoam blocks and/or plastic liners. If boxes are too large for the container, flatten, and place them next to or under it. The hauler will not pick up unbroken boxes outside the container. For more than 2 large boxes outside the container, call your hauler first.

Bottles & Cans

Rinse; labels are ok, recycle metal lids, put plastic ones in the trash.

Foil, Trays, & Pans

Remove food; do not ball up or compact.

Metal Paint Cans

Must be completely empty and dry.

WHEN IS THE RECYCLING PICKED UP?

Recycling in single family homes is picked up once per week, on trash day. Business, apartment, condo, and institutional recycling can be picked up from one to six days per week, depending on needs.

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REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE NEWS



The City of Santa Barbara Solid Waste Program is here to help you save money on refuse disposal by showing you how to reduce, reuse and recycle. Free or low cost recycling and green waste bins will help you reduce the size and cost of your trash container.

This newsletter not only tells residents and businesses how to recycle, but includes detachable signs detailing what belongs in the bins. Post them in your place of business, on the recycling bins, or on the refrigerator to show your employees or family what is recyclable.

In addition to this guide, one page recycling brochures for Commingled Recycling, Cardboard Plus Recycling, and Green Waste Recycling are available in English and Spanish from your waste hauler, or can be downloaded from the City of Santa Barbara Solid Waste Website, sbrecycles.org. Businesses or multi-unit complexes can obtain multiple copies to distribute to everyone who uses the recycling bins.

For a complete guide to disposal and recycling including appliances, furniture, electronics, plastic bags, construction waste, chemicals, and other items, see our website or call us at 564-5587.

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yes



SMALL BRANCHES
AND PRUNINGS
GRASS CLIPPINGS
CUT FLOWERS
IVY
LEAVES
PLANTS

SUCCULENTS
ICEPLANT
YUCCA PLANTS
CACTUS
BAMBOO



small amount only



no



PLASTIC BAGS, POTS, HOSES
PALM FRONDS
PAMPAS GRASS
FOOD WASTE
DIRT OR ROCKS
LOGS LARGER THAN
2' ACROSS OR 9' LONG
LUMBER OR PLYWOOD
ANIMAL WASTE OR MANURE
LAWN FURNITURE

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PAPER & CARDBOARD

yes



JUNK MAIL
NEWSPAPERS
OFFICE PAPER & ENVELOPES
(WINDOWS OK)
CARDBOARD, PIZZA BOXES,
OTHER BOXES
RECEIPTS (CARBONLESS OK)
MAGAZINES & CATALOGS
PAPERBACK BOOKS
SHREDDED PAPER
PAPER BAGS
PHONE BOOKS
PAPER EGG CARTONS

no



PAPER PLATES, CUPS,
NAPKINS, OR PAPER TOWELS
PAPER MILK & ICE CREAM
CARTONS
FAST FOOD WRAPPING OR
TAKE OUT CARTONS
COFFEE FILTERS
FROZEN JUICE CANS
WAXED PAPER
STICKERS
CARBON PAPER
DIAPERS OR PADS
PHOTOGRAPHS
HARDCOVER BOOKS⁴
FACIAL TISSUE
BLUEPRINTS

GLASS

yes



BOTTLES &
JARS ONLY
(ALL COLORS)

DRINKING GLASSES, DISHES, OR PYREX
FLUORESCENT BULBS² OR LIGHT BULBS
WINDOW GLASS OR MIRRORS
TILE⁴ OR ART GLASS

no



¹ Recycle through Santa Barbara Iron and Metal 966-4468 • ² Hazardous waste, take to UCSB site 963-0583 x 104, 105 • ³ Take to Downtown ABOP 560-7505 or UCSB site • ⁴ Consult Reuse Directory at website • ⁵ Recycle #2 & 4 plastic bags at grocery stores

PLASTIC

yes



#1 & 2 PLASTIC
CONTAINERS ONLY.
(SODA, WATER, JUICE, MILK,
SHAMPOO, DETERGENT ETC.)

no



#3-7 DELI FOOD & SALAD BOXES
#3-7 BOTTLES, TUBS, OR CUPS
PLASTIC BOTTLE CAPS
PLATES OR UTENSILS
LIDS OR STRAWS
PLASTIC WRAP OR PACKAGING
TUBES: OINTMENT, TOOTHPASTE, ETC.
COMPUTER DISKS OR CDS³
STYROFOAM PEANUTS OR
BUBBLE WRAP⁴
TOYS, HOUSEHOLD OBJECTS, OR
CREDIT CARDS
TARPS, POOLS, OR SHOWER CURTAINS
LAWN FURNITURE
PLASTIC BAGS⁵
STYROFOAM (ANY TYPE)
HOSES OR PVC PIPE
SHOES, CLOTHING, OR PURSES

METAL

yes



ALUMINUM CANS
PIE PLATES, FOIL, & METAL TRAYS
TIN, STEEL, AEROSOL, &
BI-METAL CANS
LIDS, CAPS, &
SMALL METAL ITEMS
POTS & PANS
SMALL METAL APPLIANCES
KEYS, BOLTS, & NAILS
EMPTY PAINT CANS

no



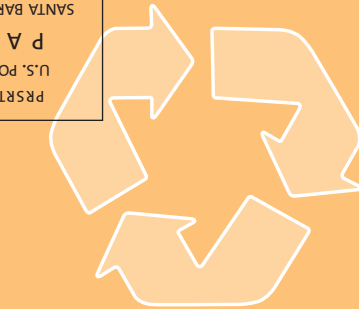
VERY HEAVY VEHICLE PARTS¹
METAL HANGERS OR METAL HOSES¹
EMPTY FUEL OR GAS TANKS¹
CANS CONTAINING OIL BASED
PAINT, CHEMICALS, OR TANKS
CONTAINING FUEL OR GASES²
OIL FILTERS OR CANS
CONTAINING LATEX PAINT³

LEARN HOW INSIDE

PAY LESS FOR TRASH!

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Postal Customer

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SANTA BARBARA, CA
PAID
U.S. POSTAGE
PRST STD



HAY NUEVAS GUÍAS DE
RECICLAR EN ESPAÑOL PARA
DEMOSTRAR COMO SE
REDUCE GASTOS DE BASURA
POR LA UTILIZACIÓN DE
BOTES DE RECICLAR GRATIS.
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O A MARBORG A LAS 963-1852
Y ELLOS LE MANDARÁN LAS
GUÍAS A USTED. PARA
CONSULTAS O PREGUNTAS
SOBRE EL SERVICIO DE
RECICLAJE O BASURA, POR
FAVOR LLAME A STEPHEN
MACINTOSH A LAS 897-1908.
SE HABLA ESPAÑOL.

NOVEMBER 15 IS AMERICA RECYCLES DAY!

DO YOUR PART TO REDUCE, REUSE AND RECYCLE.

VISIT WWW.AMERICARECYCLESDAY.ORG
FOR INFORMATION, EVENTS, AND TO REGISTER TO

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